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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**



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In re: Application of : Michael SHARRATT & Harry Richard CLARINGBURN  
Serial No. : 09/780,683 Group Art Unit: 2872  
Filed : February 8, 2001 Examiner:  
For : OPTICAL COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

New York, New York  
July 16, 2002

**SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, kindly further amend the above captioned application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification at pages 8, 12-17, 20-25 as set forth on the enclosed pages.

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